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Office Action Summary

Application No.

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

NABIL Z. HINDI

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 31 October 2005.
2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 13-22 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 13-22 is/are rejected.
7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

In response to applicant's remarks dated October 31, 2005. The following action is taken:

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

(e) the invention was described in (1) an application for patent, published under section 122(b), by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent or (2) a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention by the applicant for patent, except that an international application filed under the treaty defined in section 351(a) shall have the effects for purposes of this subsection of an application filed in the United States only if the international application designated the United States and was published under Article 21(2) of such treaty in the English language.

Claims 13-22 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Yoshida (5552896).

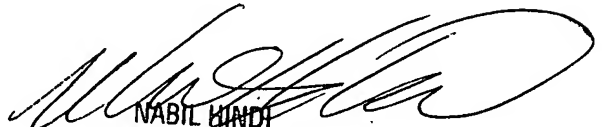
The claims merely read on disk having a plurality of data blocks having sectors therein. The data block having an ID (address) data recorded the end thereon in order to determine the next data block. Basically the claim read on a data block having address information. The reference shows an optical disk having a plurality of data blocks Ck-1, Ck-2...etc, each of the blocks having a plurality of units (32 sectors), wherein at the end of the data block Ck an ID (address) data is recorded to indicate the next block of data B0 as shown in fig 4.

With respect to the limitations of the dependent claims. Applicant's attention is drawn to fig 4 having dummy data within L1-L3 subsequent to the ID sector Bo. The data to be recorded on the next sector is interleaved with the dummy data within the RUN-IN and RUN-OUT meeting the claimed invention.

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. See fig 2 of 5,388,105.

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 13-22 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

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